Information Seeking Behaviour of IERNs in SK

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-Project Title: Information Seeking Behaviour of Internationally Educated Registered Nurses (IERNs) Recruited in Saskatchewan

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Purpose(s) and Objective(s) of the Research: This study is an investigation into the information seeking behaviour of internationally educated registered nurses (IERNs) working in Saskatchewan. In addition to literature search, this research will be conducted in 2 phases. In this Phase 1 of the research, the researchers would like to gather data from IERNs at Saskatoon, Regina and Sunrise Health Regions. The questionnaire asks IERNs of their library experience from the country they obtained their nursing designation and their library training, experience and skills learnt in Saskatchewan.

Confidentiality: All data will be managed by the two researchers. Any personal information such as names and affiliation will be removed while summarizing the results. When data is no longer required to be stored (after a 6 year period), electronic files of the survey questionnaire responses will be destroyed.

Right to Withdraw: Your participation is voluntary and you can answer only those questions that you are comfortable with. You may withdraw from the research project for any reason by March 31, 2013 without explanation or penalty of any sort. • You can withdraw from the survey anytime by closing your browser at anytime. Once all the information is entered and submitted, the data is anonymous and withdrawal is not possible. • Whether you choose to participate or not will have no effect on your position as an IERN, your employment or access to library services.

Follow up: Results of the study can be obtained in the form of a published journal article through an Open Access Journal. Indicate on the survey questionnaire if you would like to know the results and an email copy of the published article will be sent to you.

Questions or Concerns: Contact the researcher(s); • This project has been approved on ethical grounds by the U of S and U of R Research Ethics Board and Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region. Any questions regarding your rights as a participant may be addressed to the committee at (966-2084 or ethics.office@usask.ca; 585-4775 or research.ethics@uregina.ca). Out of town participants may call collect.By completing and submitting the questionnaire, YOUR FREE AND INFORMED CONSENT IS IMPLIED and indicates that you understand the above conditions of participation in this study.

Background
Question 1: Gender Male Female
Question 2: Age • 20-29 • 30-39 • 40-49 • 50-59 • Over 60
Question 3: Which country are you originally from?
Question 4: How long were you a nurse in your home country? Less than a year 1 year 2 years 3 years 4 years 5 years Longer than 5 years. If so tell us how many years Question 5: Which health region or institution are you currently working at?
Question 6: How long have you been practicing as a nurse in Saskatchewan? Less than a year 1 year 2 years 3 years 4 years 5 years If longer than 5 years, how many?

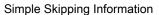
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Education Education
Question 7: From which country did you receive your nursing qualifications? Philippines India United Kingdom Hong Kong Poland France Other, please specify
Question 8: Indicate the highest level of nursing education you received in your home country. Certificate College Diploma B.Sc. Nursing Degree Masters Degree PhD Other
Question 9: What language was used as the medium of instruction during your nursing studies? Tagalog Hindi English Cantonese Polish French Other, please specify
☐ Question 10: Please select the area of nursing you specialized in? ☐ Pediatry ☐ Oncology ☐ Emergency and Trauma ☐ Critical Care ☐ Psychiatry ☐ Cardiac ☐ Neonatal ☐ Operating Room ☐ Other, please specify ☐ Other
Question 11: Are you working in the same specialty in Canada as you did in your home country? Yes No

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Question 12: Did you choose to work in this specialty? I	f not, explain.



- If Question 13: Did you receive any training ... = Yes then Skip to Page 6
- If Question 13: Did you receive any training ... = No then Skip to Page 7
- Resource Training in the Country of Origin
- E Question 13: Did you receive any training on how to use the library in your country of origin during your <u>nursing studies?</u>
- Yes
- O No

☑ Question 14: What kind of training did you receive during your nursing studies?
■ How to use a particular resource such as a database or a journal collection
Other, please specify

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- If Question 15: Did you receive training on h... = Yes then Skip to Page 8
- If Question 15: Did you receive training on h... = No then Skip to Page 9
- E Question 15: Did you receive training on how to use the library as a practicing nurse in your home country?

Yes

☑ Question 16: What kind of training did you receive as a practicing nurse?
☐ How to use a particular resource such as a database or a journal collection
Mow to formulate a research question
Other, please specify

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A Question 17: In your opinion, do you feel that you could have benefited from receiving library training as a student or practicing nurse in your home country? Please explain.

Question 18: What resources did you have access to during your nursing studies in your country of origin? List the databses websites, print sources, etc., that you remember. (Eg. CINAHL, Medline, Google Scholar, PubMed)
Databases
Websites
Print books
Print journals
☐ Electronic books
☐ Electronic journals
Personal digital assistants
Tother, please specify
Question 19: What resources did you have access to as a practicing nurse in your home country? Please list the databases, websites and other resources you remember. (Eg. CINAHL, Medline, Google Scholar, PubMed)
□ Databases
Websites
Print books
Print journals
Electronic books
Electronic journals
Personal digital assistants
Other, please specify
Question 20: During your nursing practice in your home country, did you look for resources to support your:
☐ Work
Continuing Education
☐ Research
☐ All of the above
None of the above

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- If Question 21: When you were allowed to work... = Yes then Skip to Page 12
- If Question 21: When you were allowed to work... = No then Skip to Page 13
- Resource Training in Canada
- Question 21: When you were allowed to work in Saskatchewan as a registered nurse, were you aware that you had access to library resources?

Yes

Question 22: If yes, how did you come to know of library resources available to you?
From your supervisor/manager
From other IERNs
From colleagues
From attending health conferences and visiting the SHIRP booth
Other, please specify
☑ Question 23: Which libraries did you know about?
☐ Your health region library
Saskatchewan Health Information Resources Partnership (SHIRP)
Other, please specify

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- If Question 24: Did you receive any library t... = Yes then Skip to Page 14
- If Question 24: Did you receive any library t... = No then Skip to Page 15
- 🗉 Question 24: Did you receive any library training when you came to Saskatchewan?

Yes

Question 25: If yes, which library gave the training?
University of Saskatchewan Health Sciences Library
University of Regina, John Archer Library
Saskatchewan Health Information Resources Partnership (SHIRP)
Saskatoon Health Region Library
Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region Library
SIAST Library. Indicate which campus
Other, please specify
Question 26: How long was the training?
C Less than an hour
C Less than 2 hours
C Less than 5 hours
More than 5 hours
Weeks
O Months
Other, please specify

Question 27: If your answer for question 24 is no, in your opinion training? Please explain.	do you feel that you could have benefited from receiving library

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- If Question 28: Are you currently working on ... = Yes then Skip to Page 17
- If Question 28: Are you currently working on ... = No then Skip to Page 18
- Information Seeking Behaviour and Practices
- Looking up resources for research and continuing education
- Question 28: Are you currently working on any research or continuing education?
- Yes
- O No

Question 29: If yes, which library are you using for your current research or continuing education?
Saskatoon Health Region Library
Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region Library
Prince Albert Health Region Library
Saskatchewan Health Information Resources Partnership (SHIRP)
☐ University of Regina Library
☐ University of Saskatchewan Library
SIAST Library. Indicate which campus
Other, please specify
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☑ Question 30: Tell us what resources you have used for your research or continuing education? Please name your resources.
□ Databases
☐ Websites
☐ Print books
☐ Print journals
Electronic books
☐ Electronic journals
Personal digital assistants (PDAs)
☐ Other, please specify
Question 31: Are you able to find supporting information from your library for your research and continuing education? Please
explain.
☐ Yes, always
Yes, sometimes
□ No
Cther, please specify

Question 32: If you are not, explain why you are not working on any research or continuing education	?
I do not have the time	
I do not have access to a computer	
I do not have computer skills	
I do not need any additional information	
I do not have any library training	
I am not required to do any additional work	
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- If Question 33: Do you look up resources to i... = Yes then Skip to Page 20
- If Question 33: Do you look up resources to i... = No then Skip to Page 21

Looking up resources for practice

Question 33: Do you look up resources to inform your practice?

Yes

Question 34: How often do you look for health information for your practice?
Daily
Weekly
(Monthly
A few times a year
Other, please specify
☑ Question 35: Where do you go to look for information?
☐ Google
■ Blogs
Health websites
Library (Which Library)
Colleagues
Other, please specify
Question 36: Have you recently, within the last three months, used any library to access resources for your practice. Give examples.
☐ Databases
Websites
Print books
Print journals
Electronic books
Electronic journals
Personal digital assistants (PDAs)
Other, please specify
Question 37: Are you able to find supporting information for your practice?
Yes, always
Yes, sometimes
Not enough information
Never
Other, please specify
Question 38: Has any information you found changed your nursing practice? Please explain.
Question 39: How confident are you that you can find information to solve your clinical problems?
Very confident
Confident
Somewhat confident
Not at all confident
Other, please specify
Question 40: How confident are you that you can find information to answer your patients' questions?
Very confident
Confident
Somewhat confident
Not at all confident
Other, please specify

Question 41: When you find information to solve clinical problems or answer patients' questions, how do you determine if that formation is relevant to what you were looking for?
Question 42: What challenges do you face when finding health information for your patient care?
Lack of time for research
Lack of access to computer
Lack of information seeking skills
Not comfortable with computers
Uncertain where to look
Not able to find information
Other, please specify

Question 43: If you are not using any library or resources to inform your practice, provide reason	ons as to why not?
I do not have time	
I do not have access to computer	
I do not have computer skills	
I do not need additional information	
I lack libary training	
I use only print resources	
Tother, please specify	

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- If Question 44: Would you be interested in re... = Yes then Skip to Page 23
- If Question 44: Would you be interested in re... = No then Skip to Page 24

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Question 44: Would you be interested in receiving training in finding information for research, continuing education or informing your practice?

Yes

Question 45: What kind of library training would you like to receive?
Show me how to use the library to find information
Show me where I can find resources to find information
Show me how to use the resources to find information
Show me how to formulate a search
Other, please specify

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Question 46: Is there any other information you would like to provide?
Question 47: Provide an email address if you would like to receive results of the survey when published.